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SUBJECT: COMMERCIAL TRAVELER JACK MCDONALD

1. STANLEY SUMLIN, DIRECTOR, SAMAK INDUSTRIAL HOLDINGS LTD., LAGOS, NEEDS TO GET MESSAGE TO COMMERCIAL TRAVELER JACK MCDONALD, WHO WE UNDERSTAND IS STAYING AT EL RANCHO HOTEL IN PORT-AU-PRINCE.

2. WHEN MCDONALD WAS IN LAGOS RECENTLY, HE MET WITH SUMLIN ABOUT TWO MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN NIGERIA, ONE INVOLVING FEASIBILITY STUDIES AND HEAVY EARTHMOVING WORK IN NORTHERN STATES, OTHER INVOLVING COKING FACILITIES IN EAST CENTRAL STATE. MCDONALD AT THAT TIME EXPRESSED INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING THROUGH ASSOCIATED FIRMS IN U.S.

3. ACCORDING TO SUMLIN, RESPECTIVE STATE GOVERNMENTS ARE NOW AT CRITICAL DECISION-MAKING STAGE. HE URGES MCDONALD TO RETURN TO NIGERIA WITHIN 4-5 DAYS, ALONG WITH TECHNICAL PEOPLE WHO CAN DISCUSS DETAILS OF PROJECTS.

SUMLIN PROPOSES TO TAKE MCDONALD TO THE TWO REGIONS FOR PERSONAL MEETINGS WITH AUTHORITIES. AIM WOULD BE TO PRESENT THEM WITH CLEAR PICTURE OF U.S. CAPABILITIES AND PROPOSED PARTICIPATION.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE REPLY FROM MCDONALD EITHER THROUGH EMBASSY OR DIRECT TO SAMAK (TELEX 21301 LAGOS, TELEPHONE 25061 LAGOS).
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